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40M DX ROUNDTABLE. In an effort to get some organized DX activity going, K0VVV and others are now meeting at 0600z daily on 7185 kHz and listening on 7085 kHz at the same time for DX stations outside of Region 2. The format of this group is a bit different than a "list net". DX stations will run themselves instead of having a net control feeding stations back and forth. It's been more like a "roundtable" than a "list net". Everyone, DX and domestic, are invited to join.

4U1UN CARDS UPDATE. The backlog on 4U1, 4U47 and 4U48 cards are complete as of January 20th. The 4U49 cards are being processed and will be released as soon as all the cards are filled out (probably February 1st). If you do not have your cards by the end of February, contact Jerry, WB8LFO. The backlog on bureau cards are to follow. Just a reminder! During 1995 the United Nations will be celebrating its 50th anniversary. Throughout the year, the 4U1UN station will be signing 4U50UN during many of the major contests and various times. QSL "ONLY" to W8CZN or WB8LFO.

9M8, EAST MALAYSIA. Peter, PB0ALB, will be active from Serian in Sarawak, as 9M8PFB, January 31st to March 8th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters (no WARC and 160 meters) and SSB only. QSL via CBA.

D6, COMOROS. Wolfgang, DK7UY, will be here from February 3-24th. His callsign is unknown at this time, but he plans to be active on CW, RTTY and SSB on 80-10 meters. Wolfgang mentions that QSLs will be send out via the bureau to everyone in the log, but please note that there will be "NO" direct QSLing.

KP1, NAVASSA ISLANDS. A DXpedition is being planned to take place in late April or early May with possibly 5 operators. This will be a one week operation with emphasis on the lower bands and some satellite activity. Operators mentioned so far are W5IJU, KB4VLO, and K0IYF. More details are forthcoming.

ON6TT ON THE ROAD AGAIN! Peter, ON6TT, has taken up a two months contract as a telecom consultant for UNHCR based in the refugee camps of Goma, Zaire. He will be replacing (his old friend) Paul, F6EXV (9Q5EXV). On his way to Africa, Peter will be active first from ITU Headquarters in Geneva as 4U1ITU. Look for him during the European evenings between January 30th and February 5th. He should be active from Zaire (9Q) during the week of February 6th. His tentative callsign should be 9Q5TT. Peter will try to

make some weekend trips to Rwanda (9X) and Burundi (9U), depending on available transport, time and personal security. His tentative callsign would then be 4U/ON6TT (with the necessary paperwork for DXCC approval). With time permitting, he will also try to be active in the CQWW WPX, CQWW 160 and ARRL DX Phone Contests. During Peter's stay in Africa, he will concentrate on WARC bands and lower bands, however he wants to remind everyone this is not a DXpedition, so his time on the air might be limited, but he will do his best. QSLs for this tour go to ON5NT - Ghis, CBA or bureau.

TF, ICELAND. Juha, OH1KAG, will be active as OH1KAG/TF from January 27th to February 3rd. He will be active on CW and SSB but is unsure how active he will be. His special interest on this trip will be the CQWW 160m DX Contest. QSL via OH3NE.

V3, BELIZE. Alan/NS0B and John/WC0W/V31TP will be traveling here February 15th, to be a Multi/Single entry in the ARRL CW DX Contest. V31TP will probably be the callsign used during the contest unless an arrangement can be made for another callsign. There will be some activity outside the contest on CW and SSB. They leave V31-land on the 20th. QSL info will depend on what callsign they use but it will either be to WC0W or NS0B.

V6 & KC6, MICRONESIA AND BELAU. JA2NQG and friends will be active from Pohnpei, February 17-23th, as V63WW. They plan to participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest and be active on the lower bands. From February 24th to March 1st, the group will travel to Belau to be active as KC6CW and KC6WW. QSL via JA2NQG.

VK, AUSTRALIA. Steve, AA8JK, will be traveling with his wife Andrea, KB8LBQ to participate/compete in the 1995 World Police and Fire Games in Melbourne, February 26-March 4th. These games are the Olympics for police and firefighters worldwide. Steve is a firefighter with the Miamisburg (south of Dayton) Fire Department. After the games, Steve and his wife will travel to Queensland (VK4) where Steve plans to be active in the 1995 ARRL International DX Phone Contest as VK4SID. Steve reports that his callsign VK4SID and his wife's call VK4JAK have been OKed by the WIA, but they have not received the paperwork as of yet. After the contest, they plan to travel to some of the Australian islands of Queensland for some IOTA activity. Their IOTA operations will be limited by sunshine and warm water. On or about March 12th, they will travel to Hawaii for more sun and fun. They hope to be active from KH6-land, March 13-17th. QSL to: AA8JK, P.O. Box 273, Beavercreek, Ohio 45434-0273.

VK9C, VK9L & VK9X, COCOS KEELING, LORD HOWE AND CHRISTMAS ISLANDS. Joerg/YB6AVE/DL8WPX, Rudi/DJ5CQ, and Dietmar/DL3DXX, will be active from these islands during the month of February. Their activity will be on all bands, but they will put their emphasis on CW working Europe on the lower bands. Look for VK9XY on Christmas Island, February 2-8th and again on February 18-March 2nd. Look for VK9CR on Cocos-Keeling, February 8-18th. They will fly to VK4-land after their last Christmas Island stay and probably spend some more days on Lord Howe Island working as VK9LM. QSL via DJ5CQ, Rudi Mueller, Alter Main 23, D-96179 Ebing/Bamberg.

VP2M, MONTSEERRAT. Art, WA2UJH, will operate from February 16-26th. Art will be a Single/Op entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. Their callsign is unknown, but while there Art will operate mostly CW on 40, 80 and 160 meters including activity on the WARC bands. QSL via NW8F.

VR2/VS6 & XX9, HONG KONG AND MACAO. Leo, K8PYD, will be leaving February 1st (returning February 28th) to be active from these two areas. He starts in VR2/VS6 and then as XX9YD in Macao. Leo mentions he has no problem switching from SSB to CW (if asked) anytime while he is on the air. He also mentioned he may venture elsewhere in the Far East pending access and permission to operate.

YA, AFGHANISTAN. A station signing YA/PA3BTQ appeared Sunday morning on 14200 kHz around 1245z. Activity was for about one hour. WFWL!

ZK3, TOKELAU. "The 59 Magazine" (Japanese DX magazine) reports 5W1MM will be active from January 22-26th. No callsign was mentioned, but he will be active on all bands (especially the lower bands) and operating on all modes including RTTY. QSL via JE6IBJ.

ONLY 8 MORE DAYS LEFT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPDX/NODXA DX SURVEY!!!!
KEEP THOSE BALLOTS COMING! Ballots for the Fourth Annual OPDX/NODXA DX Survey can be found in OPDX.184. Ballots can be sent to the following packet and online addresses listed below.

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